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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

Kristof CHWALISZ et al.

Examiner: Edward J. WEBMAN

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Title: HORMONE REPLACEMENT THERAPY

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

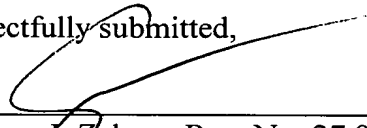
In response to the Restriction Requirement dated February 20, 2004, Applicants hereby elect Group I, with traverse.

There can be no doubt that no undue searching burden is involved in searching all claims. These claims have already been searched by at least two other examiners. It is not understood how at this juncture all claims suddenly require an undue searching burden.

Thus, it is respectfully submitted that all claims be examined.

No fee is believed to be due with this response, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,



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